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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Yoshitada OSHIDA et al.
Serial No. : 09/678,652RCE
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Group AU : 1634
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Conf. No. : 7028

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
POB 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

05 March 2004

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for an extension of the shortened statutory period for response set by the 5 November 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application under 37 CFR §1.136. Submitted herewith is a Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of the Petition fee. Please charge any actual shortage in fees to ATS&K Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (as Case 500.39147X00).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul J. Skwierawski".

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